

**ROSS J. DAVIDSON, JR.**  
Administrator, Risk Management Agency

Ross J. Davidson, Jr., was named Administrator of USDA's Risk Management Agency by Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman on February 6, 2002.

The Administrator of RMA leads the agency that provides risk management protection to America's farmers through a sound crop insurance program and other risk management tools. RMA's administrator also serves as Manager of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation.

Most recently, Davidson was vice president-industry affairs and vice president-corporate finance for United Services Automobile Association (USAA) from 1988 - 2001. Prior to joining USAA, Davidson worked for Tesoro Petroleum Corporation as its Assistant Treasurer.

Davidson has more than 25 years of experience in enterprise risk management, corporate finance, treasury, investment and related public policy matters in insurance and energy. He has published articles in professional journals and has been a frequent advisor, commentator and innovator on natural disaster and risk management public policy.

Davidson received a Bachelor's degree in Economics from Brigham Young University in 1974, and a Master's degree in Business Administration there in 1976.

Davidson has been a member of several professional organizations including the American Risk and Insurance Association, Financial Executives International, and the Association of Finance Professionals. He is a past president of the BYU Marriott School of Management Alumni Board and is on the steering committee of the Marriott School of Management Insurance and Financial Services Institute. He also served on the Managing Catastrophe Risks Advisory Board of the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania.